BERRY PETROLEUM CO Form 8-K November 12, 2004

> SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

> > FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) November 11, 2004

Berry Petroleum Company (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	1-9735	77-0079387
(State or other	(Commission	IRS Employer
jurisdiction of	File Number)	Identification No.
incorporation)		

5201 Truxtun Avenue, Suite 300 Bakersfield, CA 93309 (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (661) 616-3900

 $$\rm N/A$$  (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

The information in this Form 8-K and the Exhibit attached hereto shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

On November 11, 2004, Berry Petroleum Company (Berry) announced that it was the recipient of the Bureau of Land Management's "2004 California State Director's Award". A copy of the news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.

## SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

## BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY

Ву	/s/	Kenneth A	. Olson
Name:		Kenneth A	. Olson
Title:		Corporate	e Secretary/Treasurer

November 11, 2004

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